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1. The new armored barracks is near the village of Csanád, northeast of Baja, was completed in 1951. It lies in the Kékhagyi Erdő and can take a full armored regiment.
2. This barracks is now occupied by an armored regiment which arrived in the spring of 1953. The men belong to the active classes 1930 to 1932 and wear blue shoulder boards and insignia; there are more than 1,000 men. The regiment has a battalion of twenty-four T-34/85 tanks and a battalion of thirty-one or thirty-two 85-100 SP guns. The regiment is fully motorized. Other tanks, unused, are in the regimental garages.
3. The new artillery barracks is on Szabadság Gasse. It is occupied by a motorized artillery regiment, with regimental troops. The 1st Section consists of three batteries, having twelve 76.2 AT guns all told. Each battery has a Maxim heavy machine gun, a heavy AA machine gun and two light machine guns. The 2nd Section has three batteries with twelve 122 mm howitzers all told, and the same light armament as the 1st Section. The 3rd Section likewise has three batteries, twelve 122 mm howitzers. The regiment contains over 1,200 men, who wear red shoulder boards and insignia.
4. Since fall 1953 normal recruit training has been carried on, with emphasis on defense against surprise attacks. The attackers were always made up of a battery of the same regiment.

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5. The regiment is fully motorized and has its own well-equipped repair shop. The auto park consists of 38 prime movers, 7 passenger cars, 8 jeeps, 43 trucks, 2 tank trucks, 1 radio truck, 1 shop truck, and six motorcycles.
6. The AAA barracks is on Dózsa György Gasse. It is occupied by AAA section of three batteries and 420 to 440 men. They wear red shoulder boards and insignia. The 1st and 2nd Batteries each have eight 85 mm guns; the 3rd Battery has six 37 mm guns. The heavy batteries have six AA machine guns. In addition each battery has two light Degtyarev machine guns.
7. The unit is fully motorized, consisting of one car with listening apparatus, 11 jeep 1 radio car, 22 trucks, and 10 Hoffer prime movers. It uses firing positions which have been constructed near the barracks.
8. The old infantry barracks is on Szabadság Gasse, which used to be occupied by engineers. It is now occupied by a motorized rifle regiment. Regimental troops consist of: an accompanying battery, with four 76.2 mm guns; an AT company with four 76.2 mm guns; a mortar company with six 120 mm mortars; an AA heavy machine gun company with six heavy machine guns. There are three battalions, each of which has an AT platoon with 57 mm guns. The battalions have a large number of 50 mm mortars.
9. The regiment has not yet been fully motorized. It now has forty-eight 3-ton Csepel and Skoda trucks, 26 motorcycles, 1 shop car, 2 cranes, 6 Czech passenger cars, 5 jeeps, 2 ambulances and a radio car.

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